

Sri U. M. MADAPPA.—May I know whether this information will be laid before the House ?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Yes.

Compensation to Owners of Lands to be submerged under the Sharavathy Hydro-Electric Project.

*Q.—460 Sri D. MOOKAPPA (Sagar).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether they have received petitions to the effect that compensation proposed to be paid to owners of land likely to be submerged under the Sharavathy Hydro-Electric Project is quite insufficient ;

(b) if so, whether they intend to pay more compensation ?

A.—Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA (Minister for Public Works and Electricity).—

(a) Applications for enhancement of compensation have been received by the Special Land Acquisition and Rehabilitation Officer, Sagar.

(b) Compensation is determined in accordance with the provision of the Land Acquisition Act.

ಶ್ರೀ ಡಿ. ಮೂಕಪ್ಪ.—ತಾವ ಪರಿಹಾರ ಧನವನ್ನು ನಿರ್ದೇಶಿಸಿದ ನಂತರ ಇತ್ತೀಚೆಗೆ ಭೂಮಿಯ ಬೆಲೆ ಜಾಸ್ತಿ ಯಾಗಿರುವುದು ತಮ್ಮ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಎನ್. ನಾಗನೂರ್.—ಇರಬಹುದು.

ಶ್ರೀ ಡಿ. ಮೂಕಪ್ಪ.—ಇತ್ತೀಚೆಗೆ ಭೂಮಿಯ ಬೆಲೆ ಎಷ್ಟರ ಮಟ್ಟಿಗೆ ಜಾರಿಯಾಗಿದೆಯೋ ಆಷ್ಟರಮಟ್ಟಿಗೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರ ಪರಿಹಾರ ದ್ರವ್ಯವನ್ನು ಕೊಡುತ್ತಿಲ್ಲವೆಂಬುದು ತಮ್ಮ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಎನ್. ನಾಗನೂರ್.—ಆ ಕೆಲಸಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ಒಬ್ಬ ಡೆಪ್ಯುಟಿ ಕಮಿಷನರನ್ನು ಸ್ಪೆಷಲ್ ಆಫೀಸರ ನಾಗಿ ನೇಮಕಮಾಡಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಆ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಅವರು ತೀರ್ಮಾನಮಾಡಿ ಪರಿಹಾರ ದ್ರವ್ಯವನ್ನು ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದಾರೆ ; ಕೊಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಕೆ. ನಾಗೂರ್.—ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರತಕ್ಕ ಪರಿಹಾರ ದ್ರವ್ಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಅನ್ಯಾಯವಾಗಿದ್ದರೆ ತಾವು ಮತ್ತೆ ಸೂಕ್ತ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮವನ್ನು ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಎನ್. ನಾಗನೂರ್.—ಎದಿಯಲ್ಲದೆ ಬಂದಾಗ ನೋಡೋಣ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಕೆ. ನಾಗೂರ್.—ರೈತರಿಗೆ ಅನ್ಯಾಯ ವಾಗಿದ್ದರೆ ನ್ಯಾಯದೊರೆತನಿಕೊಡುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

Sri M. N. NAGHNOOR.—It is not our responsibility.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA. I would like to inform the Hon'ble Member that Government will do its best to secure justice. If still the party wants, he may go to a court of law to give notice.

ಶ್ರೀ ಡಿ. ಮೂಕಪ್ಪ.—ಪರಿಹಾರಕೊಡಲು ಮೀಸಲಾಗಿರುವ ಹಣವೆಷ್ಟು ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎಂ. ಚನ್ನಬಸಪ್ಪ.—ಒಂದು ಕೋಟಿ ರೂಪಾಯಿಗಳನ್ನು ಮೀಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದರಾಗಿದೆ.

Sri A. R. BADRI NARAYAN.—In view of the laborious process involved and also in view of the heavy cost to be incurred by going to a District Court, will the Government consider the question of modifying it in the case of submerged lands.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—There is no laborious process involved. There is the Land Acquisition Officer ; he will see the lands and pass an award and the award amount will be paid immediately. If the parties are aggrieved of the award it is open to them to approach a court of law to secure more if the case deserves.

ಶ್ರೀ ಡಿ. ಮೂಕಪ್ಪ.—ಮರೆನಾಡಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಮುಂದುವರಿದ ಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ತೋಟಗಳೇ ಹೆಚ್ಚಾಗಿರುತ್ತವೆಂಬ ಅಂಶ ತಮ್ಮ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎಂ. ಚನ್ನಬಸಪ್ಪ.—ಹೌದು.

ಶ್ರೀ ಡಿ. ಮೂಕಪ್ಪ.—ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ತೋಟಗಳ ಬೆಲೆ ಬಹಳ ಸಾಸ್ತಿ ಆಗಿದೆ ಎಂಬುದು ಗೊತ್ತಿಲ್ಲವೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎಂ. ಚನ್ನಬಸಪ್ಪ.—ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ತಕ್ಕ ಬೆಲೆಯನ್ನು ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ಕೊಡಲಾಗುತ್ತದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಡಿ. ಮೂಕಪ್ಪ.—ಆ ಪ್ರದೇಶದ ಜನರು ಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ನಿರ್ಮೋಗ ಬಂದಿರಲಿಲ್ಲವೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎಂ. ಚನ್ನಬಸಪ್ಪ.—ಬಂದಿರಬಹುದು.

ಶ್ರೀ ಡಿ. ಮೂಕಪ್ಪ.—ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಪರಿಹಾರ ಕೊಡಲು ಪ್ರಯತ್ನ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎಂ. ಚನ್ನಬಸಪ್ಪ.—ಹೆಚ್ಚಿಗೆ ಕೊಡಲು ಸಾಧ್ಯವಿಲ್ಲ. ನ್ಯಾಯವಾದ ಪರಿಹಾರವನ್ನು ಕೊಡಲು ಪ್ರಯತ್ನ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೇವೆ. Government will take all action that is necessary to pay them adequate reasonable compensation.

Sri A. R. BADRI NARAYAN.—In view of the general complaint about the inadequacy of the compensation, will the Government consider the question of giving better relief to the people whose lands are submerged ?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—There is no question of inadequacy. We will provide as much funds as are necessary to pay reasonable compensation to the people. Government have appointed under the Act, the Deputy

Commissioner to go on with the land acquisition proceedings and whatever award is fixed by the Officer, the Government will pass it, but if the party still feels aggrieved, as I already submitted, he can take recourse to law under the Land Acquisition Act.

Sri A. R. BADRI NARAYAN.—How many do you expect can go to a District Court against the award?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Government will take all reasonable precautions to give them reasonable compensation.

Sri J. B. MALLARADHYA.—Will the Government give an assurance on the floor of the House that if the Land Acquisition Officer makes an unreasonably liberal award, they will not pass it?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—The Land Acquisition Officer cannot make an unreasonably liberal award.

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—In view of the large number of cases that are likely to be involved, and since it is possible for only a few to go to the court to get a higher award, will the Government consider the question of revising the rates in respect of those lands?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Government have given instructions that under no circumstances should the Land Acquisition Officer be unreasonable in fixing up the compensation toward, and Government will be happy to give them such reasonable compensation as would be fitting in each particular case.

Sri ALUR HANUMANTHAPPA.—I would like to ask if the Government propose to give these persons lands or some interim relief.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—The ryots would be paid compensation for lands acquired and for such of the persons who are *bona fide* agriculturists arrangements will be made to give them land wherever they are available in the vicinity.

Sri J. B. MALLARADHYA.—Are Government aware that land acquisition proceedings are in the nature of

judicial proceedings and Government are therefore prevented from giving instructions to the officers in the matter of acquisition proceedings.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—The Land Acquisition Officer is a quasi-judicial officer and Government do not propose to interfere with his normal functions which are of a judicial character.

Sri V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—Is it not possible to arrive at an award by agreement of the parties concerned?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—The law says that the Land Acquisition Officer has to fix compensation on the basis of the facts available with him. We cannot therefore negotiate with the parties.

Sri V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—Before arriving at an award, would it not be possible for the Land Acquisition Officer to try to obtain an agreement of the parties?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Before giving the award the officer will no doubt take into consideration all facts available with him, the market value of the property etc. He will go through the records in the Registration Office and if necessary would take the help of the P.W.D. estimates, etc.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಕೆ. ಬೊಮ್ಮೇಗೌಡ.—ಅವಾರ್ಡನ್ನು ತೀರ್ಮಾನಮಾಡಬೇಕಾದರೆ ವಿನಾದರೂ ಕಾಲದ ಮಿತಿಯನ್ನು ಗೊತ್ತುಮಾಡಿದ್ದೀರಾ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎಂ. ಚನ್ನಬಸಪ್ಪ.—ಅದಷ್ಟು ಬೇಗ ಅವಾರ್ಡ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಕೊಡಬೇಕು ಎನ್ನುವುದೇ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಆಶಯ. ಆ ರೀತಿ ಸೂಚನೆಯನ್ನು ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದೇವೆ.

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—Sir, the Hon'ble Minister seems to be a very clever person. After saying so many sentences, he has not touched my question at all. My question was that if in some cases awards are given by the court, will the Government consider revising the awards in other cases, considering the fact that a great majority of the land owners are illiterate and cannot go to the court.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—It is a hypothetical question.

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—It is not so. It has happened.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—It might have happened : but the manner in which the question has been framed shows that it is hypothetical. When courts give awards, Government cannot give higher awards.

Sri G. VENKATAI GOWDA.—If courts give higher awards, would Government consider the desirability of applying such awards to the cases of persons who cannot go to the court for various reasons.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—The Land Acquisition Officer will take note of it.

Shortage of Ganja in the Government Godown at Bangalore.

*Q.—448. **Sri V. SRINIVAS SHETTY** (Coondapoor).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it is a fact that 146 tolas of Ganja disappeared from the Government Godown at Bangalore recently ;

(b) what action has been taken against the persons in-charge of the Ganja :

(c) what is the value of Ganja that has disappeared ;

(d) at what stage the investigation stands in this case ?

A.—**Sri N. RACHIAH** (Minister for Social Welfare, Excise and Prohibition).—

(a) Shortage of 146 seers 20 tolas was found at the time of stock verification.

(b) The matter is under investigation.

(c) Rs. 511-87 nP.

(d) *Vide* reply to clause (b).

Sri V. SRINIVAS SHETTY.—When was this theft discovered ?

Sri N. RACHIAH.—It is not actually 'theft'. The shortage was found on 30th January 1959.

Sri V. SRINIVAS SHETTY.—Who is the person entrusted with the investigation of this case ?

Sri N. RACHIAH.—The matter has been entrusted to the Anti-Corruption Special Officer.

Sri V. SRINIVAS SHETTY.—In whose custody were these articles, at the time they were stolen ?

Sri N. RACHIAH.—With the Head-quarters Assistant to the Excise Commissioner.

Sri V. SRINIVAS SHETTY.—What is the progress made in the investigation ?

Sri N. RACHIAH.—The Special Officer, Anti-Corruption, has made an interim report and the Government are awaiting his final report.

Sri V. SRINIVAS SHETTY.—Is the officer who was in-charge of the articles, when they were stolen, still in his post ?

Sri N. RACHIAH.—Yes, He is in the same post.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—May I know when this shortage was discovered ?

Sri N. RACHIAH.—I have already furnished an answer.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—If there is a shortage in a depot, what has the Anti-Corruption Department to do with it. Do Government suspect theft ?

Sri N. RACHIAH.—Whenever we feel so, we refer the matter to the Anti-Corruption Department. In fact, when I received a report, I went along with the Special Officer of the Anti-Corruption Department, to the Ganja stores and we actually inspected the stores and then the Government referred the matter on 4th February 1959 to the Anti-Corruption Department and the matter is pending investigation.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎ. ಜೆ. ಮೊದ್ದಮೇಟ.—ಕಾಳು, ಕಡ್ಡಿ, ಇಂಥ ದ್ರವ್ಯಾನುಗುಣಗಳಿಗೆ ಪಾರ್ಟಿಕ್ಯುಲರ್ ತೆಗೆಯುವ ಹಾಗೆ ಗಾಂಜಿ ಸಲುವಾಗಿ ಪಾರ್ಟಿಕ್ಯುಲರ್ ತೆಗೆಯುವುದಿಲ್ಲವೇ ?

Sri N. RACHIAH.—That question does not arise now.

Sri V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—If the officer, during whose regime the articles were stolen, is continued, does the Hon'ble Minister expect smooth progress of the investigation ?

Sri N. RACHIAH.—According to the report of the Excise Commissioner, the present officer has taken charge from the previous officer and the previous officer, according to his own statement, has not counted the materials while giving charge to the present officer.